

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) A method for displaying information in an electronic book configured to display flipping pages, comprising the steps of:

displaying pages flipping from at least one of right-to-left and left-to-right;

displaying at least one of a right side book thickness image with a thickness proportional to a number of pages on a book right side, and a left side book thickness image with a thickness proportional to a number of pages on a book left side, said at least one of a right side book thickness image and a left side book thickness image configured to increase or decrease in thickness in proportion to a number of pages added or removed, respectively

wherein

said step of displaying at least one of a right side book thickness image and a left side book thickness image comprises:

keeping a right vertical edge of said left side book thickness image stationary with respect to the display screen while displaying said left side book thickness image;

keeping a left vertical edge of said right side book thickness image stationary with respect to the display screen while displaying said right side book thickness image;

changing a position of said left vertical edge of said left side book thickness image when changing the left-side book thickness; and

changing a position of said right vertical edge of said right side book thickness image
when changing the right-side book thickness.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 20, further comprising at least one of:

displaying one of a finger-bookmark and a permanent bookmark; and
jumping to a jump position corresponding to said one of a finger-bookmark and a permanent bookmark.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 21, wherein:
said finger-bookmark disappears when a bookmarked page is revisited; and
said permanent bookmark does not disappear when a permanently bookmarked page is revisited.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 20, further comprising:
displaying a jump cursor on the said at least one of a right side book thickness image and a left side book thickness image,
said jump cursor being user-activated and identifying a jump position corresponding to a page to be displayed after a jump operation.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 20, further comprising:

displaying more than two flipping pages simultaneously, said more than two flipping pages showing information from corresponding parts of said set of information while flipping.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 20, further comprising:
displaying increasingly more flipping pages simultaneously as a document browsing speed is increased.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 20, further comprising:
freezing a number of flipping pages in an act of flipping across the computer screen in response to receiving a freeze command issued by a user.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 24, further comprising the step of:
displaying a thickness image of pages skipped in said jumping step;
displaying said thickness image of pages skipped moving across the book image from right to left if the jump position is within the right side thickness image; and
displaying said thickness image of skipped pages moving across the book image from left to right if the jump position if within the left side thickness image;
wherein said thickness image of pages skipped is proportional to a number of pages skipped in said jumping step.

29. (New) A system configured to display information in an electronic book configured to display flipping pages, comprising:
means for displaying pages flipping from at least one of right-to-left and left-to-right;

means for displaying at least one of a right side book thickness image with a thickness proportional to a number of pages on a book right side, and a left side book thickness image with a thickness proportional to a number of pages on a book left side, said at least one of a right side book thickness image and a left side book thickness image configured to increase or decrease in thickness in proportion to a number of pages added or removed, respectively wherein

said means for displaying at least one of a right side book thickness image and a left side book thickness image comprises:

means for keeping a right vertical edge of said left side book thickness image stationary with respect to the display screen while displaying said left side book thickness image;

means for keeping a left vertical edge of said right side book thickness image stationary with respect to the display screen while displaying said right side book thickness image;

means for changing a position of said left vertical edge of said left side book thickness image when changing the left-side book thickness; and

means for changing a position of said right vertical edge of said right side book thickness image when changing the right-side book thickness..

30. (New) The system of Claim 29, further comprising at least one of:
means for displaying one of a finger-bookmark and a permanent bookmark; and
means for jumping to a jump position corresponding to said one of a finger-bookmark and a permanent bookmark.

31. (New) The system of Claim 30, wherein:

said finger-bookmark disappears when a bookmarked page is revisited; and
 said permanent bookmark does not disappear when a permanently bookmarked page
is revisited.

32. (New) The system of Claim 29, further comprising:
 means for displaying a jump cursor on the said at least one of a right side book
thickness image and a left side book thickness image,
 said jump cursor being user-activated and identifying a jump position corresponding
to a page to be displayed after a jump operation.

33. (New) The system of Claim 29, further comprising:
 means for displaying more than two flipping pages simultaneously, said more than
two flipping pages showing information from corresponding parts of said set of information
while flipping.

34. (New) The system of Claim 29, further comprising:
 means for displaying increasingly more flipping pages simultaneously as a document
browsing speed is increased.

35. (New) The system of Claim 29, further comprising:
 means for freezing a number of flipping pages in an act of flipping across the
computer screen in response to receiving a freeze command issued by a user.

36. (New) The system of Claim 32, further comprising:
 means for displaying a thickness image of pages skipped in said jumping step:

means for displaying said thickness image of pages skipped moving across the book image from right to left if the jump position is within the right side thickness image; and

means for displaying said thickness image of skipped pages moving across the book image from left to right if the jump position if within the left side thickness image; wherein said thickness image of pages skipped is proportional to a number of pages skipped in said jumping step.

37. (New) A computer program product including instructions configured to cause a computer to display information in an electronic book configured to display flipping pages, including instructions for:

displaying pages flipping from at least one of right-to-left and left-to-right;

displaying at least one of a right side book thickness image with a thickness proportional to a number of pages on a book right side, and a left side book thickness image with a thickness proportional to a number of pages on a book left side, said at least one of a right side book thickness image and a left side book thickness image configured to increase or decrease in thickness in proportion to a number of pages added or removed, respectively, wherein

said step of displaying at least one of a right side book thickness image and a left side book thickness image comprises:

keeping a right vertical edge of said left side book thickness image stationary with respect to the display screen while displaying said left side book thickness image;

keeping a left vertical edge of said right side book thickness image stationary with respect to the display screen while displaying said right side book thickness image;

changing a position of said left vertical edge of said left side book thickness
image when changing the left-side book thickness; and
changing a position of said right vertical edge of said right side book thickness
image when changing the right-side book thickness.